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		12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified copy of Japanese priority document No. P2001-045250 filed February 21, 2001.		
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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled
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Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application, including 12 claims (8 independent), 9 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-9) and the filing fee of \$1,160.00 on behalf of

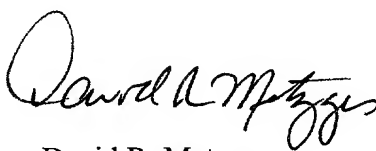
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